

Rural Utilities Service Programs

Denali Commission High Energy Cost Grants

What does this program do?

This program assists the Denali Commission in lowering the cost of energy for families and individuals in areas with extremely high per-household energy costs (275% of the national average or higher).

Who may apply for this program?

- A legally organized for-profit or non-profit organization
- A sole proprietorship
- State or local government entities
- Federally Recognized Tribes
- An individual or group of individuals
- See the Denali Commission website for further eligibility details

How may funds be used?

- Funds may be used to finance energy generation, transmission and distribution initiatives
- See [Code of Federal Regulations 7 CFR 1709](#)

Additional requirements include:

- Borrowers must have legal authority to provide, construct, operate and maintain the proposed facilities or services
- All facilities receiving federal financing must be used for a public purpose

- Partnerships with other federal, state, local, private and non-profit entities are encouraged

How do we get started?

- Applications accepted through the Rural Development National Office
- Call (202) 720-9545 for details
 - The application deadline is set each year by a NOFA
 - The deadline for Fiscal Year 2014 is August 1st, 2014 NOFA 2014
- Program Resources are available online (i.e. forms, guidance, certifications, etc.)

Who can answer questions?

Call the Rural Electric Program staff at (202) 720-9545

What law governs this program?

- [Rural Electrification Act of 1936, as amended in 7 U.S.C. 901](#)
- [Code of Federal Regulations 7 CFR 1709](#)

NOTE: Because citations and other information may be subject to change, please always consult the program instructions listed in the section above titled "What Law Governs this Program?" You may also contact [your local office](#) for assistance.

You will find additional forms, resources, and program information at www.rd.usda.gov